APPENDIX B TO SUBPART M OF PART 668—SAMPLE DEFAULT MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR SPECIAL INSTITUTIONS TO USE WHEN COMPLYING WITH \$668.198

This appendix is provided as a sample plan for those institutions developing a default management plan in accordance with §668.198. It describes some measures you may find helpful in reducing the number of students that default on federally funded loans. These are not the only measures you could implement when developing a default management plan. In developing a default management plan, you must consider your history, resources, dollars in default, and targets for default reduction to determine which activities will result in the most benefit to your students and to you.

I. Core Default Reduction Strategies (From §668.198(c)(1))

- 1. Establish a default management team by engaging your chief executive officer and relevant senior executive officials and enlisting the support of representatives from offices other than the financial aid office.
- 2. Identify and allocate the personnel, administrative, and financial resources appropriate to implement the default management plan.
- 3. Define the roles and responsibilities of the independent third party.
- 4. Define evaluation methods and establish a data collection system for measuring and verifying relevant default management statistics, including a statistical analysis of the borrowers who default on their loans.
- 5. Establish annual targets for reductions in your rate.
- 6. Establish a process to ensure the accuracy of your rate.

II. Additional Default Reduction Strategies

- 1. Enhance the borrower's understanding of his or her loan repayment responsibilities through counseling and debt management activities.
- 2. Enhance the enrollment retention and academic persistence of borrowers through counseling and academic assistance.
- Maintain contact with the borrower after he or she leaves your institution by using activities such as skip tracing to locate the borrower.
- 4. Track the borrower's delinquency status by obtaining reports from data managers and FFEL Program lenders.
- 5. Enhance student loan repayments through counseling the borrower on loan repayment options and facilitating contact between the borrower and the data manager or FFEL Program lender.
- 6. Assist a borrower who is experiencing difficulty in finding employment through ca-

reer counseling, job placement assistance, and facilitating unemployment deferments.

- 7. Identify and implement alternative financial aid award policies and develop alternative financial resources that will reduce the need for student borrowing in the first 2 years of academic study.
- 8. Familiarize the parent, or other adult relative or guardian, with the student's debt profile, repayment obligations, and loan status by increasing, whenever possible, the communication and contact with the parent or adult relative or guardian.

III. Defining the Roles and Responsibilities of Independent Third Party

- 1. Specifically define the role of the independent third party.
- 2. Specify the scope of work to be performed by the independent third party.
- 3. Tie the receipt of payments, if required, to the performance of specific tasks.
- 4. Assure that all the required work is satisfactorily completed.

IV. Statistics for Measuring Progress

- 1. The number of students enrolled at your institution during each fiscal year.
- 2. The average amount borrowed by a student each fiscal year.
- 3. The number of borrowers scheduled to enter repayment each fiscal year.
- 4. The number of enrolled borrowers who received default prevention counseling services each fiscal year.
- 5. The average number of contacts that you or your agent had with a borrower who was in deferment or forbearance or in repayment status during each fiscal year.
- 6. The number of borrowers at least 60 days delinquent each fiscal year.
- 7. The number of borrowers who defaulted in each fiscal year.
- 8. The type, frequency, and results of activities performed in accordance with the default management plan.

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